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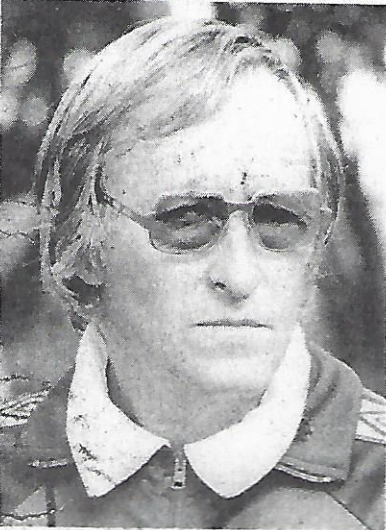
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Where will the cash come from if our ship sinks?



Rudi Gutendorf: Under orders to make no statements. "There can only be bitterness," he says.

The Rudi Gutendorf era is over, our World Cup hopes are hanging by a hair, our standing in Asia-Oceania is at an all-time low, and the domestic game has taken a sharp downturn.

Gutendorf was given every possible chance to mould a winning team.

He was given training camps galore, he was given a tour of China and a tour of the world, he was given a total of 35 preparatory matches, and trips to watch World Cup opponents.

It took him a good year to assess whatever talent was available but even then he could not decide on a set squad. In all, he used 60 players but when it came to our 0-2 World Cup loss to New Zealand on Saturday, the two years that had gone before amounted to nothing, for nothing had been achieved.

Quite simply, there was no team. There was no collection of players who had played together regularly in set positions to enable them to develop tight team work.

More important, his tiredness and his criticism of players had turned many of them against him. It became a thoroughly impossible situation.

But where does the blame lie? It lies fairly and squarely with the ASF administration led by Sir Arthur George.

It was Sir Arthur who hired Rudi Gutendorf. But when it became obvious to one and all that the Gutendorf approach would not produce World Cup success, Sir Arthur and his executive did not move to protect their \$800,000 World Cup investment.

Sir Arthur was wise after the event when he spoke up at the post-match Press conference.

What we see now is yet another disastrous legacy of the split between Sir Arthur and Rale Rasic in 1974.

When the ASF and Rasic parted company after the 1974 World Cup final, the ASF embarked on a policy of appointing men from overseas.

We have local men who can do the job — Rasic, Warren, Scheinflug, McKendry, Margaritis and more.

A technical committee should be appointed to advise the ASF bosses about matters relating to the game on the pitch. This is an absolute necessity because the people at the top of the ASF are neither former players nor coaches.

Where are we now?

Let's not forget that it was the Socceroos' success of 1974 that inspired Philips Industries to provide the sponsorship money that made the national soccer competition possible.

Will the big-money sponsors leap enthusiastically onto a sinking ship?

Les goes for a new style



LAURIE SCHWAB

It's all over, says boss as he starts the push

The fall of Rudi Gutendorf was inevitable after ASF president Sir Arthur George provided the first push at the post-match Press conference at the Sydney Cricket Ground on Saturday.

"Without being asked, Sir Arthur, standing amidst journalists, microphones and TV cameras, said: 'Don't you think they beat us tactically today, Rudi?'"

He brought up the questions of whether or not Australia could have done better with different tactics, better motivation, or even a different coach, but he hastened to say that these things were not within the area of his expertise.

Yet he also said: "New Zealand was more determined, more purposeful and they controlled the ball better than we did on the day. There is no question that they deserved victory — and they deserved even more goals."

"I can't hide my disappointment. We are finished, in my view, with the 1982 World Cup. We must face the facts of life. We were just not good enough. We have spent a lot of money on this (\$800,000) and we were not good enough."



• Sir Arthur George

"We spent more money and we gave more of our resources to team preparation than at any other time since I became president."

"Now we must build from the ashes."

"We have to honor the rest of our World Cup commitments but if New Zealand beats Indonesia on Sunday in the 1982 World Cup will be cut to the bone."

He explained that the number of training camps and the size of the squad would be cut.

"We must do a lot of soul-searching," he added.

But he said the administration took no responsibility for the team's failure, because it never interfered with team selection.

He closed by saying that the ASF would honor its contract with Gutendorf, and that the contract had until August to run.

Back at the team's hotel there were rumours about a players' meeting in which they had decided to tell the ASF they would not play on Wednesday (tonight) against New Zealand if Gutendorf was still the coach.

The rumors later were denied by captain Murray Barnes.

Then came a meeting behind closed doors between the players and Gutendorf.

At the meeting, Gutendorf said he would not resign, but that he had had job offers from the U.S.

Gutendorf's resignation came early on Sunday afternoon after he had talked with Sir Arthur.

Apparently it was agreed that Gutendorf's contract would be paid out even if he resigned rather than being sacked.

Gutendorf said on Monday morning that he had an agreement with Sir Arthur that he would give no interviews and make no statements to the Press.

"In three years I said enough — but the purpose always was to improve things," he said.

"Now I can serve no purpose by saying more. There can only be bitterness."

The long-term future of Les Scheinflug and the slim hopes of the Socceroos depend heavily on the World Cup qualifying game against Indonesia at Olympic Park tonight (Wednesday).

If Australia wins, Scheinflug almost certain will remain Australia's national coach, and also coach of the youth team for the Coca-Cola world youth championships in October.

The ASF has been paying Scheinflug, 42, a full-time salary as assistant coach since February and his contract extends at least until October.

If he is successful tonight, there would be little logic in paying a second salary.

Victory is imperative to keep alive the statistical possibility of qualifying for the 1982 World Cup finals.

But it is even more important that Indonesia takes at least one point away from New Zealand in their match in Auckland on Sunday. This however, will be a difficult task for the Indonesians if they lose tonight.

New Zealand, whose remaining matches are all at home, has eight points from a possible 10. Australia has one from four. If both teams win all remaining matches, New Zealand would qualify for the final Asian play-offs with 14 points compared with Australia's 13, so New Zealand must drop at least one, preferably two points.

Scheinflug will attempt to change the team's style of play to keep Australia's hopes alive.

"We've got to get back to Australian soccer — the way Australian players always have played in club competitions."

"We cannot ask them to play soccer they can barely understand much less fulfill."

The Australian team for tonight's game against Indonesia is:

1. MAHER	13. YZENDOORN	3. TANSEY
2. PERRY	6. BLAIR	10. HENDERSON
4. HENDERSON	5. BARNES	8. DAVIDSON
7. SHARNE	9. KOSMINA	16. COLE

He said he would play with a recognised midfield, as opposed to the long-ball play of Gutendorf.

He added that instead of pursuing Gutendorf's rigid man-to-man marking system he would implement a blend of individual and space marking.

"I will choose tactics to suit the players," he said.

"I need forwards who can kill the ball, hold it, and go for shots."

The men he has chosen are John Kosmina and Gary Cole, with Peter Sharne out wide.

Tony Henderson, who was stopper last Saturday, Murray Barnes and Alan Davidson.

Allan Maher is in goal and the back four is: Steve Perry, Steve Blair, John Yzendorn and Jim Tansey.

Out go Greg Woodhouse, Mark Jankovics, Eddie Krnecvic and Billy Rogers.

"One of my aims is to inspire the killer instinct among my players and to develop pride in the green and gold shirt," Scheinflug said.

"But I have to live in hope that Indonesia will beat New Zealand."

"Not only Indonesia but also Taiwan is capable of holding out for a draw in Auckland."

Scheinflug was captain of Australia's first World Cup team in 1965.

He was assistant coach to Rale Rasic in the successful 1973-74 World Cup, he was voted Australian coach of the year after taking Marconi to the 1979 Philips League championship, and during his playing career he was a star of the mighty Prague team of the 60's.

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Campbell for a game!

If South Melbourne Hellas beats Sydney City at Middle Park on Sunday it will throw down the gauntlet to fellow title contenders in the race for the 1981 PSL championship.

The curtain raiser to this match is a State League clash between Hakoah and Juventus at 1 pm.

The Slickers have a game in hand on Hellas and are four points behind. A win to Hellas and a six point gap between these leading candidates for the title would give John Margaritis's side important breathing space.

And I think Hellas can do it. Sydney City stopper Steve O'Connor will play a major part in this encounter. He probably will be assigned the task of covering Alun Evans, who is at the heart of most penetrating Hellas attacks.

The Slickers play with two up front. John Kosmina is the target man and Ken Boden works off him.

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

No doubt Margaritis will assign markers for these key forwards.

Hellas full backs Alan Davidson and Vince Bannon should be free to push forward but they will require good cover and recovery for once space opens up wide behind them. Joe Watson and Ian Sougess will be ready to pounce and stretch the Hellas defence hoping to create gaps for Kosmina and Boden.

Socceroos Billy Rogers and Steve Blair could be given the tasks of stifling Boden and Kosmina, with Arthur Xanthopoulos sweeping up behind them.

Murray Barnes will play a major role in midfield.

An important factor in the match will be the fitness of the Socceroos who played against New Zealand last Saturday.

Hellas star George Campbell is making a last ditch bid to get fit for this match. The diminutive Campbell, a favorite with Hellas supporters, is close to recovering from a major knee operation and is keen to resume his spectacular forward dashes.



The Kiwis line up before Saturday's SCG clash. From left to right: Steve Sumner (captain), Brian Turner, Steve Wooddin, Glen Dods, Ricci Herbert, John Hill, Richard Wilson, Duncan Cole, Keith Mackay, Grant Turner, Bobby Almond.

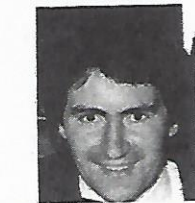
I feel sorry for the kids

Now that the inevitable has happened and Rudi Gutendorf has been dismissed as Australia's coach — yes I said dismissed, for his so-called resignation was only a formality — the unanswered questions of the past two and a half years must be aired.

However before doing that, let me remind readers that I am not jumping on the bandwagon of knockers after Australia's defeat by New Zealand on Saturday.

I have made my views public over a period of two years, on the basis that all was not well in Australian soccer, and never wavering from my view that Gutendorf was not the man to take Australia to Spain.

No matter how much the authorities kept trying to convince the public that it was only a matter of course to qualify for the World Cup finals, anyone close to the game and the intrigue involved, knew only too well during the past eighteen



By JACK REILLY
former Socceroo goalkeeper

months that the task was becoming increasingly difficult. Gutendorf was fighting a losing battle.

He had a squad of players (18 or 20 depending on which mood he was in), few of whom had the necessary respect for the man.

Maybe in a fully professional environment his methods would have been more successful, but unfortunately that situation does not exist in Australia, and we all know, "when in Rome".

Tommy Docherty is a professional coach, but he has adapted to "Aussie Soccer" and its shortcomings with success.

Gutendorf threatened, bullied, punished and intimidated players into being almost subservient.

How can players be taken

out of their natural habitat in which they exist for 48 weeks a year and be thrust into a dictatorial situation for four weeks and adjust suitably?

Much can be written about the failings of Gutendorf as a coach and his inability to adjust but surely the real thrust must be to ask questions of an administration that stood by and watched an ailing ship sink and also of a media that existed but continued for some reason or another to give unfailing support to a lost cause.

How could the ASF brush under the carpet all the problems of last year's European tour?

Players, many of whom have given a lifetime to Australian soccer, were gagged under the threat of not being

allowed to play for Australia again, to protect a man they had little respect for.

How could we possibly come forth into 1981 with the right attitude to win games and qualify for the World Cup finals?

This more than anything else was our undoing.

How can wars be won without soldiers, particularly soldiers in the right frame of mind?

I feel sorry for all the people throughout Australia who have put so much time and effort into promoting and maintaining junior soccer and also for all the participants therein who have been robbed of the necessary impetus to want to succeed?

What is the point of a thriving junior community if the game is dying at top level?

The question now to be asked is: where do we go from here?

Firstly I believe the Australian Soccer Federation has now proved beyond doubt its own failings and must readjust its thinking.

Any enterprise can blame its employees for a certain period of time but continued

failure must reflect also on management.

We must now harness all our resources and talents to make sure the Australian youth team does well in the forthcoming mini "World Cup" to re-establish soccer's position in the country.

This will be done only by a great deal of co-operation. From there "World Cup 1985-1990" committee should be set up and include such people as Rale Rasic, Len McKendry, Atilla Abonyi, Jimmy Rooney, John Warren.

This committee should meet as soon as possible with the Australian Soccer Federation and lay down an AUSTRALIAN blueprint for success. Let's have politics take a back seat and free-thinking come to the fore in soccer.

I beseech that this sort of thing start happening now, because in any business or enterprise the management is only as good as the information it receives.

It's time we had people who know the game in this country actively involved.

Finally, in case they really believe they should escape censure, the players who took the field on Saturday should be ashamed.

That was the green and gold you were wearing, fellows, and there is no excuse when that's on your back.

However, the possibility is still there that we can qualify. You've had your wishes granted, albeit indirectly. Les will give you 100 per cent support. Let's have a result on Wednesday against Indonesia.

My prediction — AUSTRALIA 3 INDONESIA 0.

Players let us down

Everyone's emptying the bucket on Rudi Gutendorf, who obviously must take a hefty portion of the blame, but let's not let the players get off scott-free.

It was one of the worst performances I have seen by a national team.

It was disgraceful. They are the ones who played. They are the ones who let the nation down.

Who do they play for — the coach or the people who come to watch soccer and who expect to see the best?

They all have been on tour, they know Rudi and what he wanted, they are all experienced players who know how to play.

Rudi thought they would give him what he asked for and yet they produced nothing. They went on tours so that

they could prepare to play in big games, so that they could overcome nervousness.

Yet they acted as if they had never played together before.

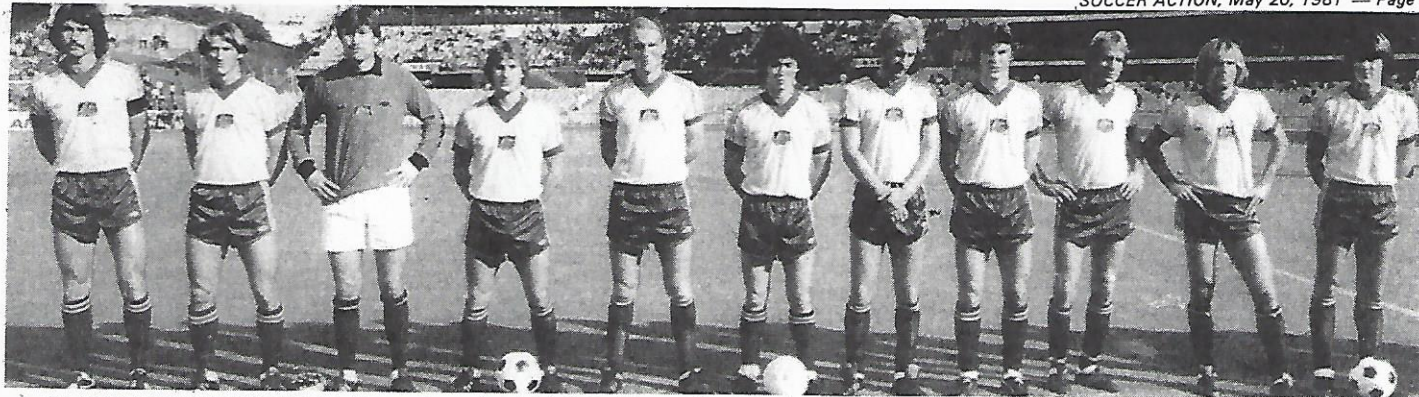
It had always been on the cards that Rudi would leave sooner or later, but we are left here, our players are left here. Surely the players themselves are strong enough, talented enough and intelligent enough to have realised that Australian soccer did not stand or fall with Rudi Gutendorf.

It will be a long long time before we can forget Black Saturday.

There are people in this country who know soccer inside out and who know the players and what they can do.

By BILLY VOJTEK,
former Socceroo

There is no need to bring people from overseas who do not have this knowledge.



The Socceroos before the debacle: Murray Barnes (captain), Peter Sharpe, Greg Woodhouse, John Yzendoorn, Jim Tansey, Alan Davidson, Tony Henderson, Steve Blair, Billy Rogers, Mark Jankovics, Eddie Krncevic. Pictures by LES SHORROCK.

THE BETTER TEAM WON

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Australia 0 New Zealand 2 (Wooddin 30th., G. Turner 83rd) at Sydney Cricket Ground. Crowd about 15,000. World Cup qualifying game. Referee: Roger Courtney (England) 9.

Australia: Woodhouse 6 — Yzendoorn 8 — Henderson 8, Blair 7, Tansey 7 — Davidson 8, Barnes 6, Rogers 4 (Cole 7, half time) — Krncevic 6 (Boden 64th), Jankovics 4, Sharpe 6.

New Zealand: Wilson 8 — Hill 7, Herbert 9, Almond 9, Dods 9 — Mackay 7 (Malcolmson 84th), Cole 8, Sumner 6, G. Turner 9 — B. Turner 6 (Campbell 84th), Wooddin 8.

The story of Australian soccer's blackest day is a story about efficient planning by John Adshead and his Kiwis. They defended in numbers, there was double-marking wherever necessary, and yet the Kiwis still managed to attack quite skillfully with men running off the ball — and getting it.

New Zealand won this game with sheer team work.

Australia, in comparison, was a collection of individuals isolated from each other.

There was virtually no running off the ball.

The Socceroos did not try to take on their opponents on the ground.

The Kiwis closed them down quickly all over the field, and when they did so the Socceroos invariably played the ball square because, with no-one running constructively, there was no other choice.

Only rarely did we see two or three passes strung together, there was no calculated build-up, long or high kicks were the order of the day, fitness was totally absent.

Australia's scoring attempts were confined to speculative long shots by Tony Henderson and substitute Gary Cole, and two headers late in the game by Murray Barnes.

There were few successes in this team — Henderson won in the air and he tried hard to push the team forward, Alan

Davidson was all energy and action as usual, John Yzendoorn was efficient and reliable as sweeper and Steve Blair, assigned to mark Brian Turner, did his job well.

The forwards were beaten. It appeared from the start that Billy Rogers again was supposed to mark New Zealand captain Steve Sumner in midfield. Davidson was a free full back, pushing up on the flank where Keith Mackay tried unsuccessfully to stop him.

Davidson's efforts made Australia look good for the first 15 minutes or so. He sent Peter Sharpe away a few times but when New Zealand goalkeeper Richard Wilson caught the first of Sharpe's crosses, he captured the confidence he needed to remain faultless for the rest of the match.

Sharpe got past Glen Dods in the 12th. minute but missed with his shot, and it appeared New Zealand was getting rattled.

Then Henderson hit a powerful volley over the bar from the edge of the penalty area.

You could feel the power surging through Australia now. Davidson, Henderson and Sharpe were pushing forward strongly. Surely it was only a matter of time.

All that changed, though. In the 17th. minute goalkeeper Greg Woodhouse flew high

at a long throw from Duncan Cole, and punched it dangerously into the goal. Davidson was there to clear.

Then Woodhouse missed a ball played in from the left. Dods, Mackay, Brian Turner and Grant Turner all threatened the goal with shots that were blocked until Jim Tansey broke it all up with a tackle on Grant Turner.

New Zealand's first goal hit the Australian supporters with a sickening thud and triggered elation on the Kiwis' bench.

It happened so quickly! Mackay went down the right, sent the ball square to the middle and Wooddin hit it first time underneath the diving Woodhouse.

Again it was Henderson who tried to spur on the Australians. This time he played a through ball for Krncevic who, instead of running closer to the goal, elected to shoot at an angle and hit the side netting.

At the other end of the ground, there was Henderson heading out a New Zealand attack, but the ball went to Brian Turner. He lashed it back, just over the bar.

New Zealand continued to come up with fast, direct counter-attacks.

In the 38th. minute Wooddin won the ball in midfield and played it forward to Grant Turner who managed to get past Davidson and fire in a shot just past the post.

Brian Turner needed treatment for a knock to the ankle and just before the interval, Grant Turner, unmarked in the middle, launched a vicious swerving shot which also was fractionally too wide.

The Australians trudged off to the boss of the crowd and reappeared with Gary Cole among them. Cole had replaced Billy Rogers who had been inconspicuous throughout the first half.

Wilson hurt himself in landing after flicking away a high ball and, like Turner, received treatment from the trainers.

Within minutes of resumption, Davidson left the ball for Cole cutting across his path. Cole took the ball a few steps and unleashed the most powerful shot of the game, but it was too high.

At the other end, Henderson

lost the ball to Wooddin who raced towards goal unopposed but Woodhouse saved the shot.

A minute later Woodhouse leaped to divert another shot by Wooddin straight up into the air. As it came down again, it bounced off the top of the crossbar for a corner.

Time was running out for Gutfendorf and Australia.

What to do, what to do? Maybe Ken Boden could provide a few solutions, so on he went, taking the place of Krncevic who had been pushed wide after Cole's appearance, and who had been cut out of the game, just as Sharpe had.

The aerial dominance expected from the Australians had not materialised, but in the 70th. minute Barnes did manage a header from Tansey's cross, only to be foiled by Wilson.

From a corner Barnes sent in another header and again Wilson saved.

Ten minutes to go now. Grant Turner got past an opponent but Henderson cleared for a corner and from that corner Grant Turner headed wide.

A small group of New Zealand supporters with a "Kiwi's" banner started chanting: "We're going to Spain, we're going to Spain."

One last death throes by the Australians: Boden stylishly played the ball through for Sharpe who crossed, but Davidson had to stretch too far for the ball and shot inaccurately.

Grant Turner and Duncan Cole combined to dispel any remaining Australian hopes in the 83rd. minute.

Cole crossed the ball from the right wing and Turner scored with a world-class header to give the Kiwis a well-deserved 2-0 victory.

With six minutes to go, Adshead made two changes perhaps to waste a little more time. Sam Malcolmson came on for Keith Mackay and Clive Campbell replaced Brian Turner.

Adshead and his assistant Kevin Fallon gave the thumbs-up victory sign on the bench. The Socceroos slinked off the pitch.

It was the end of the Gutfendorf era.



By JOHNNY WARREN
former Socceroo captain

There is nothing like a bad result to bring the worst out of people and that certainly applies to Australian soccer following our tragic and convincing 2-0 loss to the Kiwis at the Sydney Cricket Ground last Saturday.

Most of what needs to be said I am sure is covered elsewhere in "Soccer Action."

Rudi has copied heaps and lost his job in the process. Australian soccer after 101 years of promises is back to where it started and the other footballing codes are saying what they've said all along: that soccer will never be a real threat to their "greatest games of all" in this country.

Rudi deservedly has taken most of the blame.

I say deservedly because he's taken all the praise in his three years here and with it 99% of the publicity.

If that has been the case he certainly "deserves" the responsibility now.

The bottom line of the whole World Cup campaign to date for me however is that how can a country like New Zealand (no disrespect to our Tasman friends) give us a complete soccer lesson twice in three weeks?

Forget the actual results.

The Kiwis played ALL the football and four of their five goals were world class efforts.

It would be acceptable were we given those football lessons by the West Germans, Argentinas and Brazils but when it comes to the Kiwis really showing us up there, is something drastically wrong with our set-up.

And that certainly extends well past the national coach whoever he may be.

New Zealand has shown us up — and by us I mean everyone involved in soccer in this country.

Our national team is the showpiece of what a country's soccer is all about and if full internationals can't put together three passes on more than a couple of occasions in two games surely Gutfendorf is not solely to blame for that.

I also feel that we have created a dangerous precedent by forcing the resignation of a national coach under pressure from the players.

It has opened the way for the players to take the irresponsible and easy way out when the next bad result comes along.

Gutfendorf's resignation finished off what has been one of the saddest weeks in our turbulent soccer history.

From the farcical Canberra-Sydney Olympic PSL Cup match in Queanbeyan to the poor match day presentation at the SCG (why a Scottish Pipe band — again! — and the tape breaking down for the Australian national anthem) to a game where all our traditional problems were once again brought to the surface.

The Indonesians

The Indonesian team, with shirt numbers, for the game against Australia tonight (Wednesday) is likely to be:

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|-------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| 2. Simson
RUMAHEASAL | 5. Ronny | 3. Didik |
| 20. POERWANO | 4. SUHARNO | PATTINASARANY DHARMADI |
| 12. Zulhan
EFFENDI | 17. Chris
WAKANO | 7. Wahyu
TONOTO |
| 18. Berty
TUTUARINMA | 9. Bambang
NURDIANSYAH | 14. Rully
NERI |

Kannegeisser brothers hold key

Tasmanian Director of Coaching, Steve Darby, and his players are looking forward to meeting the Victorian youth team in the curtain raiser to Australia's World Cup match against Indonesia in Melbourne tonight (Wednesday). The Tasmanians are a 'State of origin' team, all the players having been either born in the State or having lived there since the age of 10.

Steve has conducted a number of Monday night training sessions with the 13-man squad. He is satisfied with the results and with the attitude of the players. Five of the players travel to Hobart from the north of the State just to attend training sessions, a round trip of up to 450 kilometres. This certainly displays keenness and dedication.

1. Phil KANNEGEISSER (Rapid West Point) 2. Conrad HUGHES (Georgetown United) 3. Larry NUNN (Rapid West Point) 4. Willy

Darby CONLAN (Launceston Juventus) 6. Mossie O'SULLIVAN (Georgetown United) 7. Chris GLEESON (Devonport) 8. Steve KANNEGEISSER (Rapid West Point) 9. Mark OAKES (Rapid West Point) 10. Luchi FABRIZIO (Hobart Juventus Pioneer) 11. Andy SCHEIBL (Georgetown United) 12. Chris HEY (Brighton ICL) 13. Alistair PAYNE (Croatia Glenorchy) MANGER: Brian McKAY (Captain of State League club Brighton ICL) COACH: Steve DARBY.

The team will play a 4-4-2 system and Darby is pleased with the way the players have knitted together defensively. Although the system of play will involve a retreating defence, together with a sweeper, every player in the back four is capable of attacking.

Darby sees goalkeeper Phil Kannegeisser, his brother Steve, a midfielder, captain

ciano Fabrizio, as the key players.

Phil is easily the State's best goalkeeper, while Steve combines skill with a high work-rate.

Nunn is a Rothmans Gold Medal winner, while Fabrizio (17) is a player of great promise. He is also a member of the State under 18 team.

Mark Oakes, the centre-forward, is following in his father's footsteps. Mark's father played for Tasmania's 2-2 draw with a Hong Kong side at North Hobart oval in 1957.

Darby says, "Tasmania

hasn't got the greatest name in soccer but we're going to try to change this. We have a totally professional outlook in terms of attitude and preparation and we're not coming over just for the ride. We've come to do a job. We hope this game will further our reputation and help to attract top sides to Tasmania."

The crowd should be the largest any of the Tasmanians ever has played before. Let's hope they don't get stage fright! All Tasmanian soccer supporters will be looking forward to the game against the Victoria Youths and will be hoping that things go well for Darby and the team.

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Germany tops Euro ratings

West Germany won nine and drew two of its matches to finish 1980 as the most successful team in Europe.

In doing so it also won the European championship.

Meanwhile, there is trouble in the Bundesliga. TSV 1890 Munich are threatened with liquidation. The club has debts totalling 1 million pounds and their future is in the hands of its creditors.

The bank is demanding new securities, whilst the players

may not be paid on time this month. "For next season no new players will be signed, instead five youngsters are to be promoted to the first team," explained the club's president Dr Erich Riedl.

The Bundesliga's top scorer Manfred Burgsmüller (Borussia Dortmund) is the target of Italian clubs, although he is

still being ignored by the German national team manager Jupp Derwall. According to sources close to the "boss" Burgsmüller "does not fit" into the national side.

There have been persistent rumours that Fortuna Düsseldorf have, or are making approaches to Southampton for the England national team captain Kevin Keegan. The star player, who spent three years in West Germany with the Hamburger SV, is said to be unhappy in Southampton where he has been plagued by more injuries, than in his entire previous footballing career.

Keegan has, however, another year of his contract to run, after which he can be transferred for just 100,000 pound — according to a special clause in his contract.

Plans to launch one single Second Division as from next season are well advanced. The independent tribunal rejected the protest by 27 clubs against the early formation, as groundless. On the other hand opponents of the new league persuaded the tribunal to overrule a DFB proposal that every club must have a ground capacity of 20,000 at least, with 3,000 seats plus floodlighting of 700 Lux, before they are admitted. The DFB was ordered by the tribunal to work out new criteria for admission to the new Second Division. It is proposed to take into account the potential of every club and fix a minimum capacity at 15,000.

Floodlighting, however, will be obligatory. But because of present high costs of installation the clubs will be given till August 1, 1984 to make the necessary improvements. In cases of hardship this deadline

will be extended. Since the grounds are mostly owned by local councils, they too will have to pass on any costs on to the ratepayers. Thus the present Second Division North and South comprising together 42 clubs (North 22, South 20), will be disbanded and a new streamlined League introduced.

These reforms became necessary because of the financial plight of many smaller clubs who cannot keep up their professional status and are becoming a burden on the local authorities and the DFB.

But whether the new system is going to solve the problem is debatable, if only because the clubs will now face travelling longer distances and higher costs of transport.

These will hardly be covered from receipts at the gate alone, nor sponsorship. Of course, in the interests of football generally a single Second Division is more acceptable, though this will reduce the number of professional clubs and players considerably and put many of them out of the game.



Yorath, Toppmoeller, Deyna among top names in NASL

From JIM COOK, On tour in the U.S. and Canada

Writing this from Vancouver where I have already seen former NASL Bowl champion Whitecaps beat Los Angeles Aztecs 3-0 before an 18,000 crowd at the Empire Stadium.

I have to mention that Canada now has five teams in the NASL compared with only three in 1980.

In addition to the Whitecaps, in 1980 Canada also had Toronto Blizzard and Edmonton Drillers. The two newcomers are Montreal Manic and Calgary Boomers.

Vancouver Whitecaps fly the flag at a predominantly British club. Tony Waiters, the former Blackpool and England 'keeper is president, Johnny

Giles, ex-Leeds, is the former Republic of Ireland team manager, is coach while Giles' assistant on the coaching staff is Peter Lorimer, the former Leeds United and Scotland winger.

Lorimer still plays as well although it's thought this will be his last season. Whitecaps' playing staff is spearheaded by the biggest new signing of the season — Terry Yorath, also ex-Leeds, but who copy around \$600,000 from Spurs.

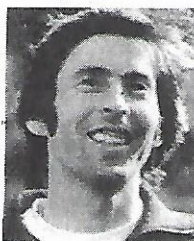
Yorath, with a host of international caps for Wales is currently captain of Wales' World Cup side.

Other players include Alan Taylor, ex-Norwich City, Steve Kember, ex-Crystal Palace and England, Roy Hankin, ex-Leeds, David Harvey, ex-Leeds and Scotland, Dave Thomas, ex-Everton, Wolves and England, Peter Beardsley, ex-Carlisle United and Jimmy Holmes, ex-Spurs and Ireland.

The North American Soccer League programme is now in full swing and I am already impressed with their colorful presentation, their downright dedication and efficiency plus their determination to move closer to the playing standards of the world's leading soccer nations.

NASL Commissioner Phil Woosnam, the former star of Wales who has been a leading light since the inception of the league has however a formidable task ahead in endeavouring to retain the club franchises whose mammoth costs are underwritten by rich individuals or multi-national concerns.

Like many of the established world soccer nations the NASL in 1980 and still in its infancy, felt the pinch with the



Kaz Deyna (San Diego)

result that last seasons 24-club all America/Canada league set-up has been whittled down to 21 clubs in Regional sections through some loss of franchises and to drastically cut down the staggering air travel costs.

In addition, many clubs have pruned playing staffs and while the importation of big name players from Europe and South America continues it is now on a reduced scale.

Other club overheads such as the vast army of non-playing staff are also being trimmed to more realistic proportions.

ALL-in-all it will provide a healthier set-up and in this part of the world efficiency calls for ruthless measures. Calgary Boomers, whose millionaire president Nelson Skalbania from Vancouver, took over from the franchise of Memphis Rogues, have spent heavily mainly on German players who include Helmut Kremers, the former West German international who was a member of their 1974 World Cup winning squad.

Another trio of German players with Calgary are Jurgen Roebbers, ex-Bayern Munich, Jurgen Stars and Gerd Zimmermann.

Edmonton Drillers have Finnish coach Timo Liekeksi together with players from Uruguay, Iceland, Scotland and Finland while Montreal Manic are coached by Eddie Firmani a great name of the past in England and Italy.

Other news from the American clubs include Claudio Coutinho who was coach of third-placed Brazil in the 1978 World Cup and boss of Brazilian league champions Flamengo last year is in con-



Klaus Toppmoeller (Calgary Boomers)

trol of Los Angeles Aztecs; Charlie Cooke the ex-Scottish international is in charge of California Surf; Jimmy Gabriel who was in Everton's line-up on their Australian tour of 1983 has the problem of George Best with San Jose Earthquakes; Fort Lauderdale Strikers have signed Bernd Hoenlein from Frankfurt while Minnesota Kicks await Republic of Ireland and Liverpool star Steve Heighway.

New York Cosmos' main recruit is Jimmy Greenhoff, the former Manchester United and England player.

San Diego's big capture is former Polish international winger Kaz Deyna who spent last season with Manchester City. Seattle Sounders bought Steve Daley from Manchester City for around \$600,000 about 18 months after Malcolm Allison paid \$2.5 million for him from Wolves.

\$600,000 to defend another Bond from Norwich City and the Sounders also have Bruce Rioch who captained Scotland in the 1978 World Cup.

Portland Timbers coach is Vic Crowe the former Aston Villa and Wales star and Crowe has Willie Anderson, also ex-Villa, Keith McCrae ex-Motherwell and Manchester City. Willie Donachie also ex-Manchester City, Clyde Best ex-West Ham and several lesser known British players.

Montreal Manic have Andy Lynch the Celtic defender who played with the Glasgow side in Australia in 1977. The Montreal side had a crowd of 27,000 in their home 2-1 against Toronto Blizzard.

Admission charges to NASL games range from six to twelve dollars.

Vancouver Whitecaps have two republic of Ireland players, Liam Buckley and Pierce O'Leary, brother of Arsenal's central defender David O'Leary.

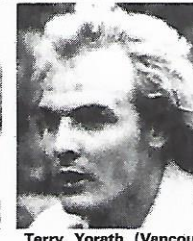
While Vancouver Whitecap and Montreal Manic can pull in near 30,000 home crowds it's a different story with another Canadian NASL side, Toronto Blizzard, who have just recorded their first win, a 3-1 victory over Fort Lauderdale. Only 5,407 fans watched the Blizzards who have been up for sale for some time.

Minnesota had a 22,085 crowd at their home game with Montreal despite the fact it lashed torrential rain before and during the match.

North American Soccer League clubs are permitted to have 13 overseas players on their active import list — the maximum allowable number of imports each team may carry under the collective bargaining agreement reached between the league and the players' union.

The NASL made soccer history this part of the world on May 10 when Betty Ellis, a fully qualified referee, controlled the Edmonton v San Jose league match.

Vancouver Whitecaps bought their 13th import when they paid \$625,000 to Carlisle



Terry Yorath (Vancouver Whitecaps)

United for 21-year-old striker Peter Beardsley.

Jan Moeller the current Swedish World Cup goalkeeper who joined Bob Houghton with relegated Bristol City late this season turned down a \$400,000 offer to join Vancouver Whitecaps as a replacement for injured GX Scottish international goalie David Harvey. Whitecaps, who had 27,577 at their home game with Seattle on Saturday, May 2 may now go for Phil Parkes of West Ham, the worlds most expensive keeper. Parkes, who had previously been with Whitecaps for three seasons, is presently tied in the NASL to Chicago Sting.

Iraj Danafard, 25, a former Iranian World Cup player who had been denied an American visa for the past seven months, has been cleared and has joined Tulsa Roughnecks.

Brian Kidd, the former Manchester United and England striker now with Bolton, is expected to sign for Atlanta Chiefs with the deal guaranteeing Kidd's return to Bolton at the end of the NASL season.

Minnesota Kicks have former Argentine world cup player Ruben Pagnanini in their ranks. The Kicks also have Tino Lettieri, goalkeeper of Canada's current World Cup side.

Croatian soccer clubs who are dominant in several of the Canadian provinces appear to be among the best organised in the top leagues outside the NASL. In British Columbia, one of the leading soccer provinces, the local Croatian team has just won the Premier League title.

Jimmy Nicholl the Manchester United defender is the best known Canadian overseas. Nicholl who comes from Hamilton, Ontario is not available for Canada's World Cup side as he turns out regularly for Northern Ireland due to parentage qualification.

NASL standings as May 13

Northwest Division				
	W	L	D	GP
Seattle	4	3	13	36
Vancouver	4	3	10	7
Edmonton	3	3	10	9
Calgary	1	5	7	4

Eastern Division				
	W	L	D	GP
New York	5	1	7	15
Washington	5	1	4	12
Montreal	3	1	7	25
Toronto	0	5	12	8

Southern Division				
	W	L	D	GP
Louisville	5	1	10	4
Jacksonville	3	5	8	23
Atlanta	2	4	12	22
Tampa Bay	2	5	10	18

Central Division				
	W	L	D	GP
Tulsa	4	2	10	10
Chicago	2	2	4	3
Dallas	2	4	8	33
Minneapolis	1	2	4	2

Western Division				
	W	L	D	GP
San Diego	5	2	14	8
California	4	3	7	31
Los Angeles	3	1	11	24
San Jose	2	4	10	7

Six points are awarded for a regulation or overtime victory. Four points for a shoot-out victory. One bonus point for every goal scored with a maximum of three a game. No bonus point is awarded for overtime or shoot-out goals.

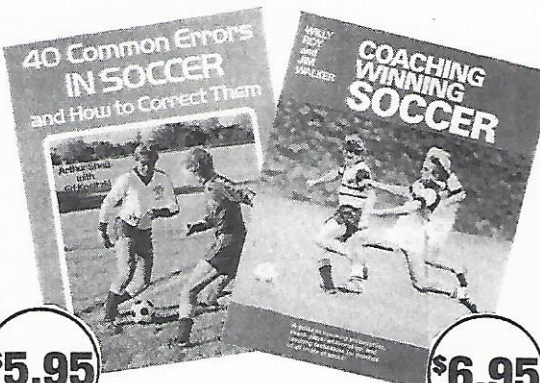
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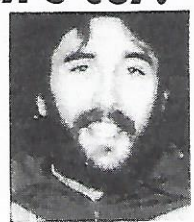
IT'S VILLA'S CUP!

Ricky Villa (pictured) earned Tottenham the FA Cup and himself a place in football folklore with one of the most memorable individual goals of the competition's 100-year history at Wembley last Thursday. Thirteen minutes star in a rousing replay when the powerful Argentinian wriggled and turned his way past Ray Ranson, Tommy Caton and Nicky Reid before tucking a shot past shatterer Manchester City goalkeeper Joe Corrigan.

It was a goal worthy of the occasion, and it was a dramatic turn-around for Villa who in the same stadium six days earlier trudged sadly to the dressing rooms after being substituted in the 1-1 draw.

This time he produced a two-goal performance that makes the game go down in history as the "Villa final".

On the Saturday Villa had been overshadowed in midfield by the likes of City's Gerry Gow who somehow conjured up another non-goal, and in the snapping showing in the replay.



But Villa had been promoted to a four-man front line — leaving fellow countryman Osvaldo Ardiles and Glenn Hoddle more room to blend their subtle skills with the determination lacking in the initial encounter.

The plan worked perfectly and for Villa it more than made up for missing out on Argentina's World Cup triumph three years ago.

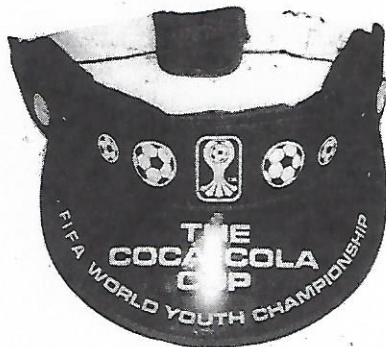
TOTTENHAM 3 (Ricardo Villa 7th and 78th minute, Gareth Crooks 7th), MANCHESTER CITY 2 (Steve Mackenzie 10th, Kevin Reeves penalty 50th).

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By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Come on Canberra!

I've been criticised for selecting you to win the 1981 PSL title and if I'm going to have any credibility left you must beat Wollongong at the Wollongong Showgrounds on Sunday.

With apologies to Wollongong coach Ken Morton and "Soccer Action" editor Laurie Schwab I'm going for George Murray's Maestros to take both points from Morton's Marvels.

Canberra import Ian Gibson

didn't have the best of days when he played against Newcastle two weeks ago but I'm betting that Gibson will be in devastating touch on Sunday and wreck havoc on the Wollongong defence.

If Tony Brennan plays, his pace will be a constant threat to the 'Gong's central defenders Brian Dunleavy and Billy de Graaf.

The strength of Dunleavy and de Graaf is in the air. They are tough and uncompromising but Brennan always is

keen to run at opponents. We'll see how effective the two 'Gong defenders are on the ground.

It really is derby day on Sunday with APIA Leichhardt and Marconi capturing the imagination of Sydney's Italian soccer public and West Adelaide and Adelaide City renewing an age old rivalry at Hindmarsh Stadium.

Zdenko Kafka should have a big say in the outcome of the Sydney derby.

His ability to create openings for APIA's frontrunners Seb Giampaolo, Tony Morsello and Phil O'Connor will worry Marconi's defence.

Peter Wilson will be called upon to marshal APIA at the back and avert the aerial threat of Eddie Krncevic and the speed of Peter Sharpe.

As with all derbies it's a flip of the coin to decide the outcome.

I haven't got any coins handy so I'll go for a draw. But I didn't have to flip to decide the winner of the big Adelaide derby on Sunday.

I'm sticking with attractive Adelaide City.

Provided City coach Bob D'Ottavi can come up with a master plan to shackle West striker Jimmy Wright the City boys should continue their surge up the ladder.

But the commitment of the struggling West outfit will extend City to the limit.

Yet I can't see David Mitchell and John Nyskohus being kept at bay for long.

Preston Makedonia has promised so much and so far has given little in its inaugural PSL campaign.

It must be frustrating for English import Alan Whittle. By all reports Whittle is setting up clear cut chances for Makedonia which aren't being put away.

But that situation shouldn't prevail for long.



The winning team — that's South Melbourne Hellas and the club's new sponsor, Barbaresco ozo. The Hellas players proudly frame the name of their new financial backers at the Middle Park club rooms. From left: George Christopoulos, Vince Bannon, Alan Evans, Alan Davidson, Bertie Lutton, Peter Laumets, Branko Buljevic, George Campbell, John Stevenson, Jim Shirra, Lou Tsigaras, Mike Watson (trainer), Duncan Cummings. Picture by LES SHORROCK.

IN MELBOURNE
S.M. HELLAS v Sydney City at Middle Park, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous results: 1977 - Hellas 1-0, 0-0, 1978 - Hellas 3-0, 0-0, 1979 - SC 2-0, 2-1, 1980 - SC 2-1, 2-1. Advantage Sydney City 4 wins, 2 draws, 2 losses. Goals: 8:7.

PRESTON MAKEDONIA v Brisbane City at Connor Reserve, Sunday, 3 pm.

IN SYDNEY
APIA Leichhardt v Marconi (draw) at Lambert Park, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous results: 1979 - Marc 2-0, 0-0, 1980 - APIA 2-1, 2-2.

Blacktown v Heidelberg (draw) at Gabbie Stadium, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous results: 1980 - Heid 5-1, 2-1.

IN WOLLONGONG
Wollongong v CANBERRA at Wollongong Showgrounds, Sunday, 3 pm.

IN ADELAIDE
West Adelaide v ADELAIDE CITY at Hindmarsh Stadium, Sunday, 2.30 pm. Previous results: 1977 - AC 4-1, 2-2, 1978 - WA 2-1, 1-1, 1979 - AC 2-1, 1-0, 1980 - AC 2-0, 1-0. Advantage Adelaide City 5 wins, 2 draws, 1 loss. Goals: 14:7.

IN NEWCASTLE
NEWCASTLE v Sydney Olympic at International Sports Field, Sunday, 2.30 pm. Previous results: 1978 - 1-1, 1-1, 1980 - Newc. 2-1, 1-1.

IN BRISBANE
BRISBANE LIONS v Footscray J.U.S.T. at Richlands Stadium, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous results: 1977 - Lions 2-0, J.U.S.T. 4-2, 1978 - J.U.S.T. 4-0, 0-0, 1979 - J.U.S.T. 3-1, Lions 1-0, 1980 - J.U.S.T. 3-1, 1-1. Advantage Footscray J.U.S.T. 4 wins, 2 draws, 2 losses. Goals: 15:8.

I keep expecting a Makedonia goal avalanche but I'm starting to have my doubts.

I'll give Makedonia a last chance at Connor Reserve on Sunday.

If someone told me last year that after 12 rounds of the 1981 PSL, Heidelberg would be laboring in the bottom half of the ladder I would have suggested that they get the most expert psychiatric help they could find at the earliest possible opportunity.

On reflection there could have been method in their madness.

Perhaps they knew that Len McKendry wouldn't come to terms with the club, that Manny Poulakakis would take over and try to reorganise the side and that Paddy Bannon would be "retired".

I certainly didn't expect that the once mighty Heidelberg outfit would struggle for every point.

And I expect its struggle to continue against Blacktown at Gabbie Stadium on Sunday.

When you are in the basement level of the league you concentrate on giving as little away as possible.

I can't see Rale Rasic's charges giving much away against the Bergers and I expect the points to be shared.

Newcastle assistant coach Frank Campbell assured me last week that the spirit which was missing in previous weeks had returned to the KB line-up.

I'll go along with Frank and tip KB to beat Tommy Docherty's Sydney Olympic at the International Sports Field on Sunday.

Bob Mountford should be back after a hamstring injury and he'll worry Olympic in the air.

Joe Senkalski looks to be running into top form again and could rule the roost in the middle of the park.

And Newcastle had a lay-off last week so its players should be sharp and eager for action.

Backed by an enthusiastic KB crowd which was thoroughly entertained by the last home match against Canberra the home side should get back on the winning trail at Olympic's expense.

It's appropriate that the Brisbane Lions-Footscray J.U.S.T. match is dealt with last.

A couple of Victorian State League clubs already are preparing their submissions for PSL membership in anticipation of J.U.S.T. being relegated at the end of the year.

To be honest, there doesn't seem much light at the end of J.U.S.T.'s tunnel.

I don't enjoy being pessimistic about the club's future but facts are facts.

J.U.S.T. has been in the bottom half of the PSL since the league's inception.

It continues to struggle as year by year it fails to find the players needed to give its squad the quality and depth necessary to maintain its PSL status.

Not even Houdini would attempt the same trick so many times.

'GONG KEEPER GOING?

Goalkeeper Robert Harrison, 18, of Wollongong City, is seeking a transfer. Harrison joined Wollongong from Tasmanian club Brighton ICL during the off-season.

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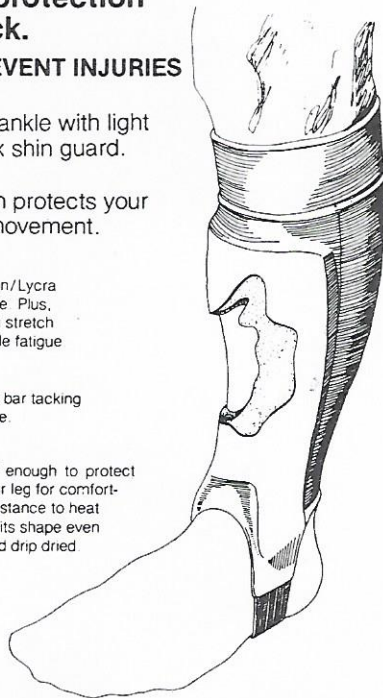
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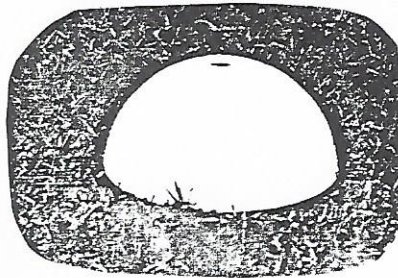
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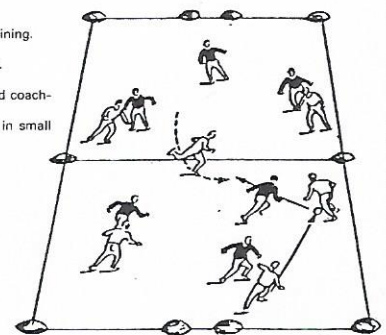


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1.	(1)*	Sth Melb Hellas	5	1	0	7	1	2	4	0	10	7	17:8	19
2.	(5)	Brisbane City	5	2	0	10	2	1	3	2	7	12:9	17	
3.	(2)	Canberra City	3	2	2	12	6	3	2	1	5	3	17:8	16
4.	(3)**	Sydney C. Haksoh	.....	4	2	0	13	3	2	1	2	4	5	17:8	15
5.	(4)	Wollongong	.....	2	4	0	9	6	2	3	2	5	4	16:11	15
6.	(6)*	Marconi Datsun	.....	4	1	1	8	5	3	0	3	5	9	13:14	15
7.	(7)*	Adol. C. Juventus	.....	4	0	3	12	8	1	3	1	7	5	19:13	13
8.	(9)*	APIA-Leichhardt	.....	1	3	1	5	5	3	2	2	7	7	12:12	13
9.	(10)	Sydney Olympic	.....	4	3	0	13	6	0	1	5	4	13	17:19	12
10.	(8)	Brisbane Lions	.....	3	2	1	6	4	0	3	3	6	9	12:13	11
11.	(11)*	Newcastle KB Utd	.....	2	2	2	9	5	2	0	4	5	12	14:17	10
12.	(12)	Preston Makedonia	.....	3	1	2	12	7	1	1	5	8	14	18:23	10
13.	(13)*	Heidelberg Alexander	.....	3	1	2	8	8	0	2	4	7	13	15:21	9
14.	(14)	West Adel. Hellas	.....	2	1	3	7	5	1	1	5	5	11	12:16	8
15.	(16)	Footscray JUST	.....	2	3	2	9	9	0	1	5	1	15	10:24	8
16.	(15)	*Blacktown	.....	0	2	3	5	12	1	3	3	8	11	13:23	7

*One match in hand. **Two matches in hand.

PHILIPS LEAGUE TEAM OF WEEK

In brackets — number of appearances in this team —

B. JAMES (2)
(Blacktown)

CALDWELL (1) **ZIRAS (2)** **de GRAAF (5)** **SELVAGE (1)**
(Brisb. C) (Syd. Ol) (W'gong) (Blacktown)

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Day 7 Sunday — DUBROVNIK.

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THIS WEEK'S VOTES

SYDNEY OLYMPIC 1 (K. Wilson pen.) BLACKTOWN 0 at Pratten Park. Votes by Tom Anderson:

6. Selvage (B), 5. Zirras (SO), 4. B. James (B), 3. Meier (SO), 2. Janninga (SO), 1. Djordjevic (B).

FOOTSCRAY JUST 1 (Belc) WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS 1 (Fordie) at Schintler Reserve. Votes by Laurie Schwab:

6. Ilioski (F), 5. Honeyman (WA), 4. Boyle (WA), 3. Belic (F), 2. Kondarios (F), 1. McKie (WA).

CANBERRA 0 APIA-LEICHHARDT 1 (Morsello) at Bruce Stadium. Votes by Peter Windsor:

6. O'Connor (APIA), 5. J. O'Shea (Can), 4. Williams (Can), 3. Morsello (APIA), 2. Moutsopoulos (Can), 1. Hughes (APIA).

ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS 1 (J. Nyakohus) PRESTON MAKEDONIA 0 at Olympic Sports Field. Votes by Meno Toutsidis:

6. Mitchell (AC), 5. B. Nyakohus (AC), 4. Kastner (Mak), 3. Whittle (Mak), 2. Jones (AC), 1. Russell (AC).

BRISBANE CITY 1 (Wilkinson) WOLLONGONG 0 at Spencer Park. Votes by Bruce Waddell: 6. Gaffney (BC), 5. Caldwell (BC), 4. de Graaf (W), 3. Palinkas (BC), 2. Ratcliffe (BC), 1. Pimblett (BC).

Legators:

43. Hermiston (BL)

41. T. Byrne (Can).

39. Kosmina (SC)

37. Mitchell (AC), Ontong (BL).

35. de Graaf (Woll)

34. Evans (SM), Ollerton (Mak).

33. Brown (Mak).

32. Katholos (SO).

29. Bennett (BL).

28. Ilioski (F).

27. O'Connor (APIA).

25. Crook (WA), Dunleavy (Woll).

24. Cullen (Mak).

23. Henderson (Mar), Coe (BC)

22. Boyle (WA), Wilson (APIA), Bertogna (Newc).

Top scorers:

7. Ollerton (Mak).

6. Sharma (Mar), J. Nyakohus (AC), Boden, Kosmina (SC).

5. Mitchell (AC), Barnes (SC), O'Connor (APIA), Christopoulos (SM), Gibson (Can).

4. Evans (SM), Valeri (Can), Koussas (SO), P. Wilkinson (BC), Millman (BL).



Makedonia keeper Lou Kastner (right) dives in vain as a Johnny Nyskohus (left) diving header seals Adelaide City's 1-0 win. Looking on are FRANK ROBBES of Makedonia and City youngster Greg Buch. Picture by MIKE HOBBS.

Nyskohus wins it

**Adelaide C. 1
Makedonia 0**

Goal: J. Nyskohus 26th.
Ground: Olympic Sports Field.
Crowd: 2,200.
Weather: Cold, windy.
Cautions: Villani, B. Nyskohus (AC); Faulkner, Rainey (Preston).

Referee: Graham Naele 6.
Adelaide City: Marshall 7, Russell 8, Nyskohus 8, Jones 8, Perin 7, B. Nyskohus 8, Marrocchi 7, Melta 7, Villani 7, Buch 6 (Rankin 46th 7), Mitchell 8, Nyskohus 7.
Makedonia: Kastner 8, Rainey 7, Ollerton 7, Higham 7, Beech 7, Flavell 7 (Little 75th), Brown 8, Faulkner 7, Whittle 8, Lucchesi 7 (Stoikos 80th), Cullen 7.

You have to feel a bit sorry for Adelaide City supporters. Their team often struggles at home, yet when they play interstate the press reports rave about their cultured style of play as they did after the match against South Melbourne Hellas last week.

City did not play poorly against Preston Makedonia but their attacking was unpredictable and it was just as well that Preston were also indecisive at the other end. City's great strengths were in defence. Bobby Russell, David Jones and Bugsy Nyskohus played it tight and hard and suffocated Preston. The Victorians played as they did against West Adelaide, although their defence was much tighter. For this they can thank goalkeeper Lou Kastner (he did not



Meno Toutsidis

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play against West) who made several splendid saves. Twice he charged off his line to stifle attempts from big striding David Mitchell who is now ready for Australia's senior team. And Kastner also made a super save from a swerving Sergio Melta cross-shot which was made even more difficult because of the swirling wind. City which obviously had thoughts of emulating West's 4-0 win the previous week started in spectacular fashion and had a goal in the 26th minute when John Nyskohus headed brilliantly into the far corner.

Tymczyszyn on transfer

West Adelaide defender Peter Tymczyszyn has been placed on the transfer list. Tymczyszyn joined West from State League club Lion in 1978. The 24-year-old utility player had been in excellent form this season and his impending departure is something of a surprise. Tymczyszyn said he would be available for \$2000 and interested clubs, preferably PSL teams could reach him on 46 4363. Tymczyszyn has played more than 60 PSL games.

James 'magnificent'

**Sydney Olympic 1
Blacktown 0**

Venue: Pratten Park.
Goal: K. Wilson penalty 81st.
Referee: Witschge 7.
OLYMPIC: Meier 8, Moulis 7, Ziras 8, Rowden 7, Palmer 6, Jennings 7, Raskopoulos 6, K. Wilson 7, Laine 7, Kouras 6 (Cross 67th), Cotton 6 (Jamieson 62nd).
BLACKTOWN: B. James 8, Whentley 6, Milovanovic 7, Pinter 6, Selva 9, Djordjevic 7, Culina 6, O'Donnell 6, Burrows 6, Cuk 7, P. Jones 8 (Wallace 75th).

Sydney Olympic fought back from a second half slump to grab a last minute penalty and a 1-0 win over Blacktown City at Pratten Park. Olympic had dominated the first half and missed chances galore as they stormed through the Blacktown defence.

The situation was reversed after halftime with Blacktown taking charge of the attack and Olympic defending desperately. With two minutes remaining, Craig Wallace handled in

the penalty area and Ken Wilson made no mistake with the spot kick to the delight of the big crowd.

"We left it a bit late and should have had the match won well before that," said Olympic coach Tommy Docherty. "We had a dozen chances, but Blacktown keeper Bruce James was magnificent," he said.

A disappointed Blacktown coach, Rale Rasic claimed an incompetent decision by referee Henry Witschge cost them the game.

"It took him 20 seconds to make his decision, and then it was only because of the spectators. Blacktown are subjected to this kind of treatment nearly every week because we come from Blacktown," he said.

Olympic missed at least five open chances in the first ten minutes as Wilson, Ian Rowden, Derek Laine and Roy Cotton all shot wide or into the side of the net. Blacktown fought a dogged

rearguard action during the first session, with Jovan Djordjevic, Stuart Selva and James holding the eager Olympians at bay.

Graham Jennings took a corner in the 88th minute and Wallace handled the ball in trying to clear. His dismay was evident as the referee pointed to the penalty spot.

City celebrates

**Brisbane City 1
Wollongong 0**

Scorer: Wilkinson 17th.
Ground: Spencer Park.
Weather: fine.
Crowd: about 4800.
Referee: D. Nugent 7.
Cautions: Caldwell, Ratcliffe, Palinkas (BC), Kay (W).
BRISBANE CITY: Cow 7, Caldwell 8, Dunne 7, Ratcliffe 7, W. Wilkinson 7, Gaffney 8, Pimblett 7, Hamilton 6 (Cannon 67th), Palinkas 8, P. Wilkinson 6, Kelso 7.
WOLLONGONG: Vardareff 5, Willis 6 (Morton 61st), Dunleavy 6, de Graaf 8, Morlando 6, Adam 6, Fontana 6, Fleming 6, McBrean 6, Kay 4 (Lathan 32nd, 6), Treddinnick 7.

The Wolves from Wollongong tumbled to their second PSL defeat when Brisbane City celebrated the opening of the new grandstand with a 1-0 victory to retain their unbeaten run at the one million dollar complex.

But once again, the score could have been anything, such was City's overall domination and one of these days they will convert all their chances and come up with a win similar to the 7-0 hiding of Heidelberg last year.

City produced by far their best football of the season in the first half, powering forward from the midfield and swinging the ball wide to the flanks. The goal which counted came in the 17th minute, a Joe Palinkas corner which Paul Wilkinson headed fiercely home as it took a slight deflec-

Valeri misses penalty

**Canberra 0
APIA 1**

Goal: Morsello.
CANBERRA: Hoszowski 7, Moutsopoulos 7, M. O'Shea 7, Williams 8, Byrne 7, Farrell 7 (R. O'Shea 65th 7), J. O'Shea 8, Purdie 7, Gibson 7, Brennan 7 (MacLaren 7), Gibson 7, Valeri 7.
APIA: Parks 7, Skellern 7 (Cassacchio 81st), McAusland 7, Pallen 7, Wilson 7, Hughes 8, Zecmeror 7, Piria 7 (Soper 75th 7), Kafta 7, O'Connor 8, Morsello 8.
Ref: E. Venios.
Yellow Cards: Hughes, APFA.
Crowd: 4,676.

Canberra was knocked off the number two perch when it allowed APIA to claim both points in a 1-0 victory after missing a vital, injury-time penalty.

Ironically, as a sad twist of fate to a lack-lustre performance by Canberra, it was penalty king Walter Valeri who missed the 32nd-minute spot kick.

Valeri, who previously hadn't missed a penalty in an age, slammed the ball against the crossbar.



Peter Windsor

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But it was a game best forgotten by Canberra. They began firm favourites but never hit true form to drop two vital points.

They are missing players, they are hit by injuries, but they lacked both punch up front and grit and tough marking in defence.

Understandably Apia's coach Willie Wallace was elated.

He admitted his team had started underdogs but added that all week APIA had been working to negate Canberra's front-runners.

"It worked," Wallace said. "It wasn't a great game but I

think we did enough to win. I don't think they created one real good shot at goal in the 90 minutes.

"Of course I'm happy. We began the season badly but have been improving steadily ever since."

The first half was as dull as the day.

Canberra began with pressure but it took 22 minutes before either side had a real shot at goal.

APIA's Zdenko Kafta was the marksman and his 25-metre thunderbolt brought off a fine, diving save from Steve Hoszowski.

Four minutes later Hoszowski was again in action as he saved from APIA's Tony Morsello.

Surprisingly, Canberra was pressing most, yet from breaks and once near goal it was APIA who looked the more dangerous.

And a roaming Phil O'Connor, given far too much room to play, was their danger man.

The first half was scoreless although justice prevailed when it was O'Connor's pass that found Morsello in the 60th minute with Morsello slotting it home.

Full marks to Canberra, as so often has happened this season, for not falling away. They lifted their game and it almost brought instant results.

Ian Gibson's cross was palmed out by APIA goalkeeper Bobby Parks but when it bounced to John O'Shea the midfielder chipped only to see his well directed attempt go just inches over his bar with Parks beaten.

And then Canberra, in full flight, temporarily despaired as Gibson's corner saw John O'Shea again in the thick of things to head goalwards only to see Parks again beaten but the ball hit the post.

Donald MacLaren also came close with a diving, low header — but this time Parks showed fine agility in getting down quickly to save.

At the other end second-half substitute Marshall Soper thumped in a header just three minutes from time that looked certain to score.

Hoszowski flung himself sideways and pulled off the game's best save.

Then came the penalty — and the miss. Like the game itself, it is best forgotten.

Bill Birch gets the boot, Jaksa gets a point

**Footscray JUST 1
W. Adl. Hellas 1**

Goals: Forde (WA) 24th, Belic (F) 28th.
Venue: Schintler Reserve.
Crowd: About 2000.
Referee: Fearn 6.

J.U.S.T.: Boland 6 — Milne 5, Kondorics 7, Kyriakoulas 6, Hazabent 7 — Belic 7, O'Reilly 6, Iloski 8, Jovanovic 5 — Kakanontis 5, (Inji, sub Simic 7, 86th), Lujic 6.
WEST ADELAIDE: Crook 8 — McKie 7, Forde 7, Kambas 4, Bozanic 6 — Topaz 4 (Haig 72nd), Boyle 7, Brown 5 — Manocosa 4 (Wright 64th), Norris 4, Haneyman 8.

It was West Adelaide's first game under new coach Peter Jaksa who replaced Billy Birch who was sacked during the week. However the coaching change has had no immediate effect on the evidence of West Adelaide's poor performance today.

The most interesting dual of the game was between J.U.S.T.'s star winger Zdravko Lujic and West Adelaide's teenage fullback Ian McKie.

Lujic was beaten by McKie for most of the match but almost inspired a J.U.S.T. victory when he gave it all he had in the last ten minutes.

West Adelaide scored first in the 24th minute.

Vic Bozanic sent a free kick over the defence to Grahame Honeyman who knocked the ball square across goal for Tom Forde to score at the other post.

Footscray equalised four minutes later when Topaz missed the ball in the middle of the penalty area, following Vlatko Belic to score unopposed.

J.U.S.T. goalkeeper Dennis Boland acrobatically saved a low shot from Honeyman and a minute later West Adelaide

goalkeeper Martyn Crook made a spectacular leap to turn a header by Lujic over the crossbar.

J.U.S.T. lost forward Steve Kakanontis through injury in the 56th minute. He was replaced by Paul Simic.

In the 75th minute Belic cut the ball square across goal looking for Iloski whose wild swing missed the ball.

In a late bid to snatch the winning goal J.U.S.T. sent central defender Kyri Kyriakoulas into attack and although it pressed hard a goal proved too elusive.



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Gibson helps Hot Cross's downfall

GEORGE CROSS 1 (Mizzi) PARK RANGERS 2 (Williams 2) at Green Gully Reserve.

GEORGE CROSS: O'Hara 6 - Gannon 6 (In. Borg 70th), Wilkinson 6, Mettland 6, Mizzi 5 - Rigby 5, Bannan 7, Fleaherty 5 - Toal 6, Farmer 5 (Zigglebar 60th), Grixt 5.

PARK RANGERS: Vasilou 8 - Ogden 7, Scott 7, Spalding 8, Stewart 8 - Gibson 5, Nisbet 6, Parsons 7 - T. Campbell 7, Savage (In. P. Campbell 24th 7), Williams 7.

The brains trust at Hakoah should have been at this game to see its discarded midfielder Ian Gibson stroll around in complete control and tear the heart out of the Cross.

George Cross was hopeless. With the exception of the hard working Ged Bannan and striker Bobby Toal, Cross was a shadow of the side which drew 2-2 with Croatia two weeks ago.

Rangers belied their inconsistent First Division form and ran out worthy winners.

I recall talking about Rangers keeper Paul Vasilou picking the ball out of the back of the net when I previewed this game in last week's "Soccer Action".

But at the end of this match the only thing lying in the back of the Rangers net was my credibility.

Rangers gave a disciplined performance which was highlighted by the after match comments from sweeper Tommy Spalding.

"You never get it this easy in the First Division," he said. Hugh Murney's charges struck in the 11th minute when Paul Campbell crossed from the right in behind a static Cross defence. Tom Campbell and Graham Williams were lurking at the far post and Williams stroked the ball into the unguarded goal.

Salt was rubbed into Cross's wound in the 60th minute when Williams grabbed his second. He took a low corner to the near post, Gibson missed with an attempt to knock it in and although the ball was cleared referee Voutsinas was in an excellent position to rule that it had crossed the line.

Ray Mizzi scored for Cross in the 91st minute when he latched onto a deflected Dave Rigby shot and slotted it past Paul Vasilou.

HAKOAH IS CUT DOWN TO SIZE

HAKOAH 0 FRANKSTON PINES 1 (D. Luca) at Middle Park.

HAKOAH: Fryszer 7 - Davidson 6, Hannah 8, Geddy 7, Doss 6 - Wilson 7, French 6 (Levi off 20th), Allison 6 - Webster 6, McClunnie 5, Negy 6.

PINES: Stutchbury 7 - Thomas 7, Murray 7, Dobbing 7, Ferris 8 - P. Luca 7 (D. Luca 60th), Watson 8, Vargaves 6 (10th by 70th) - Cameron 6, Malcolm 7, Mitchell 7.

Hakoah ran into a fiercely competitive Frankston Pines outfit determined to end a four game losing streak.

Pines had two good chances, the first cleared off the line by Hakoah sweeper Steve Gadsby and the second resulting in the decisive goal.

That came in the 65th minute when Colin Watson on Pines's left played a superb crossfield ball to John Cameron down the right. Cameron let fly with a shot which Mike Fryszer parried and the incoming David Luca slotted home from close range.

It was the first time Fryszer had been beaten in four games. He had kept opposing attack-

ers at bay for 35 minutes so the Pines goal certainly was a triumph for the Second Division side.

Hakoah pressed but couldn't break through a resolute Pines defence.

The longer the game progressed the more frustrated Hakoah became resulting in Graham French's send-off after he clashed with an opponent.

Pines gained a just reward for its tremendous commitment.

Croatia fights back after early blow

CROATIA 2 (Andrews, Mitten) MELBOURNE 1 (Diamantaris) at Olympic Park.

CROATIA: Blasby 5 - Short 7, Kekoske 7, Bannan 7, Blay 6 - Adams 9, Andrews 8, Tront 6 - Mitten 6 (Batinovic 70th), Gilder 6, Murphy 6.

MELBOURNE: Magro 9 - Corra 8, Gooch 8, Bird 9, Miller 8 - Harrington 8, A. Wer 8, Lis 8, Berbia 8 - Diamantaris 9, Ward 5.

Melbourne stunned Croatia with a fourth minute goal but the State League glamor side pinned its Second Division rivals inside Melbourne's defensive half for long periods of play.

However it wasn't until the 70th minute that Croatia hit the front and eventually ran out 2-1 winners.

Full credit to Melbourne. After its dream start it applied itself to the task of getting as many men as possible behind the ball and frustrating Croatia.

Peter Blasby must have been looking for a hole to hide in after his fourth minute blun-

Dockerty Cup '81 1st main round

Other Dockerty Cup results: Ringwood 2 (O'Riley, O'Callaghan) Springvale 1 (Patton) at Jubilee Park; Altona 2 (Innes, Boyle) Prahran City 0 at Kim Reserve; Frankston 1 (Pryde) Keysborough 0 at Centenary Park; Juventus 1 (Vaccaro) Austria 0 at Olympic Park; Western Suburbs 4 Makedonia 2 at Chaplin Reserve; Sunshine 2 (Pate pen., Morovic) J.U.S.T. 0 at Chaplin Reserve; Northcote 3 (Ignatidis 2, Tsatos) Altona Gate 4 at John Cain Reserve.

Irvine settles it

DOVETON 1 (Irvine pen.) MORNINGTON 0 at Centenary Park.

DOVETON: Ivanoff 7 - Thurlow 7, Corke 6, Merrick 6, McConville 7 - Train 6, Campbell 6, Wilcock 6 - Irvine 7, Hill 6 (Reggiero 80th), Guin 6.

MORNINGTON: van Egmond 8 - Puzar 7, Strup 6, Glenora 6, De Jong 6 - van Egmond Jr. 7, Jones 7, Hughes 8, Menlove 5 - Ling 6, Rowe 6.

An 80th minute penalty and a last minute save from Doveton keeper Lou Ivanoff saved

face for the lack lustre Doves against a fiercely competitive Mornington.

Mornington player-coach Nick van Egmond was in great form in goal twice thwarting Doveton's best player Alan Quin.

The Doves won the toss and decided to kick against the wind hoping to soak up early pressure from their Fourth Division rivals. But the longer the game progressed the harder it became for the Doves.

Man of the match was Mornington captain Hughes, the most effective player in mid-field.

When it looked like extra time would be needed to separate these sides Steve Irvine tried to get clear inside the Mornington area. The tall Doveton striker was sandwiched in between two Mornington defenders and all three ended on the ground. A penalty was awarded which Irvine converted.

The Doves could have suffered severe embarrassment from Mornington's Jones who broke through in the dying seconds. Fortunately for Doveton Ivanoff came out well, spread himself and Jones's shot rebounded clear.

Doveton's Arthur Cherrie and Gordon Bentley were out injured but the big difference between the sides was the extent of Mornington's commitment.



Morwell's Jimmy Armstrong (right) in action against Mooroolbark during his time with South Melbourne Hellas. The goalkeeper is Lou Ivanoff, now with Doveton.

Armstrong's magic sinks the Hillmen

BOX HILL 0 MORWELL FALCONS 1 (Armstrong) at Middle Park.

BOX HILL: Morgan, Roodhouse, Brownlie, Singleton (Kastalidis 41 min.), Rae, McLeod, Valentine, Macleod, Darlington, Taylor, Lawrence.

MORWELL FALCONS: Whiteside, Smart, Irvine, Walker, Massaro, McElhinney, Mackay, Williams, Van Baar, Ford, Lucchesi (Armstrong 70 min.).

In a lack lustre game a vintage Jimmy Armstrong goal in the dying minutes proved to be enough to steer the Falcons into the next round of the Dockerty Cup.

Morwell was first into attack when Van Baar and Ford combined well through

the middle to force Billy Kue into conceding a corner.

Box Hill hit back and with a strong wind behind it pushed Morwell back into its own half but was unable to penetrate the experienced Falcons back four, in which Steve Walker and Sandy Irvine were outstanding.

The game was played mostly in midfield but bad distribution by both sides caused a number of promising moves to break down.

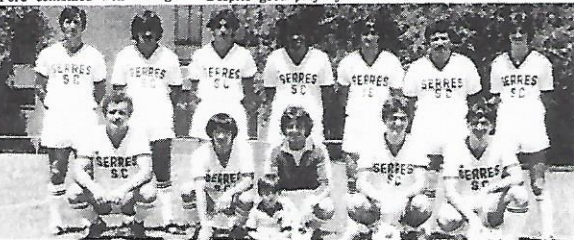
The second half showed a more positive Morwell Falcons with McElhinney, Williams and the evergreen Jimmy MacKay, taking control of the midfield.

Despite good play by Don

Brownlie, and Billy Rae at the back, the Latrobe Valley team was starting to force the Hillmen into errors.

Box Hill came close to scoring when a good run by Valentine left Taylor 25 yards out with only the keeper to beat, but Whiteside came off his line well and smothered the shot.

In the 86th minute, 38 year old Jimmy Armstrong, who had replaced John Lucchesi a few minutes earlier, won possession wide on the left near the halfway line. A good ball down the line to Van Baar was squared back to the veteran striker who strode onto the ball with the enthusiasm of a man half his age and hammered a 25 yard drive into the corner of the net.



The Kooyong Rangers team which is showing promise in the Second Division of the Victorian Central Amateur League. Standing from left: Pagonis, Staunty, Minas, Ananias, Psathas, Makris, Kehagis. Front: J. Psathas, Trun, Kehagis, Kivatis, Konstantinidis.

Wright strikes

CROYDON 5 (Wright 3, Howarth, Crosier o.g.) WERRIBEE 0 at Jubilee Park.

CROYDON: Keogh 8 - Spink 8, McCoske 8, Pongho 8, Brown 8 - Wade 8, Smith 8, Howarth 8 - P. Loughname 8, Wright 3, I. Loughname 8 (In. White 70th).

WERRIBEE: Demuri 7 - Lindsay 8, Crozier 8, P. Reardon 9 (In. Di-giochietti 55th, St. Taw 6 (Mantello H.T. 6) - Crilly 9, G. Reardon 7, Fulton 6, Sobczyk 6 - Thompson 5, Carlesso 6.

A hat-trick to Croydon striker Bob Wright in a 10 minute spell in the second half highlighted Croydon's 5-0 victory against Third Division rival Werribee.

Croydon confronted a determined Werribee outfit bolstered by the midweek signing of Steve Crilly from Ajax for \$1,000.

It took an own goal from Werribee's Ken Crozier to give the second placed side on the State League ladder a half time lead.

Jimmy Spinks headed on a near post corner and Werribee keeper Vic Demuri fumbled then pushed the ball out to Crozier who tried to head over but only could head into his own goal.

But Wright, Croydon's tall and deceptively quick striker, hit the goal trail in a devastating second half spell.

The sealer on Croydon's win came from a superb 25 metre drive by midfielder Johnny Howarth.



British TV commentator Hugh Johns arrived last week to take over as compere of Channel O's "World of Soccer" show on Friday nights. He is pictured with his wife Joan in Sydney. Picture: LES SHORROCK.

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Brogan, McCluskey to PSL, McMillan, Wassell to move?

Dave Brogan to J.U.S.T. and Danny McCluskey to Makedonia.

They're the big moves this week as the transfer deadline draws closer and clubs strive to improve their first team squads. J.U.S.T. and Croydon have agreed on the price for Brogan's transfer and I believe it is in the region of \$8000.

McCluskey's move, for \$2,500, almost fell through late last week.

The negotiating parties, Makedonia president John Branov and Frankston's senior vice-president Les Smith couldn't agree on terms last Thursday afternoon.

McCluskey had been with Branov the previous night and had agreed on a signing-on fee and match payments.

He is delighted with the move and keen to work hard to establish himself in Makedonia's first team.

His aggression and commitment could be the answer to Makedonia's defensive problems.

The deal between Frankston and Makedonia was completed in

the office of Makedonia's PSL secretary Peter Mauka last Monday.

Croydon is keen to put the Brogan money to early use. The club is very interested in Juventus star Tony Heery. I believe that Juve's asking price is around \$5,000.

Kim Wassell is another target of Croydon. The club approached Doveton seeking permission to interview Wassell.

The Brogan deal could hold the key to Wassell's fate. Croydon is trying to secure first buying option on J.U.S.T.

imports Mike McIvor and Jim McLaughlin.

The Doves also are interested in the two Irishmen. Perhaps a deal can be struck there.

But to confuse the issue Wassell trained with Doveton (Tuesday) while McIvor and McLaughlin trained with Doveton.

The Doves have signed Scottish midfielder Gerry Collins from St. Rooks.

Collins will arrive next month with his wife and child to embark upon a two year contract.

Meanwhile Juventus central defender Andy McMillan trained with George Cross last night (Tuesday).

McMillan has been given a free transfer in lieu of money owed to him by Juve.

Frankston Pines have entered the race for Slavia striker Mick McGorian.

Hakoah's Gerry Edmondson and Nunawading City striker Chris Middlemast are two other players Pines are in the hunt for.

Grange Thistle and ex-George Cross defender Derek Barron has returned to Melbourne and is looking for a club.

Grange Thistle, based in the Queensland State League, is looking for \$2000 for Barron — \$1000 now and the balance at the end of the season. At that price Barron's a steal.

He can be contacted after 4 pm on 388 6952.

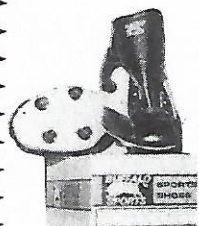
Ringwood Wilhelmia president John van Hoboken has agreed to substantially lower the transfer fee of star goalkeeper Terry Hawke.

Hawke, 31, played every game last year and conceded only 17 goals in the team that won promotion to the State League.

Hawke also has played for Mooroolbark in the Phillips League and for Juventus.

He played in England for Weymouth and Dartford.

Hawke can be contacted on 879 2223.



McClunie tormentor of Juventus

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Hakoah and Juventus provide the backdrop to Sunday's big PSL clash between Hellas and Sydney City when these two State League stalwarts meet at Middle Park in the 1pm curtain raiser.

It certainly is a case of changed days as far as Hakoah and Juve are concerned.

Financial problems beset the management of both clubs.

Hakoah's answer is to seek a merger with Hellas.

Juve's answer is to pray for a wealthy Italian philanthropist to stroll into Gilson Oval.

I think Hakoah is a trifle more realistic.

And I expect Hakoah to add to Juve's on-field worries by taking both points on Sunday.

I doubt that Hakoah coach Bill Allison will need to keep five sentinels permanently stationed at the back as he did against Ajax two weeks ago.

I can see Richie McClunie causing all sorts of problems in the air for the Juve defence and in midfield the picture remains just as gloomy for the once successful black and whites.

Altona is unlikely to leave Waratah Reserve on Sunday carrying the mantle of the first State League side to take both points from Doveton this season.

Indeed the Doves must go into this match expecting to improve their low goals for record.

And with a striker of Steve Irvine's quality the Doves could be well satisfied at the end of the day.

If Alan Quinn decides to stay forward and run at his opposing full back Altona sweeper Kevin Wilson could do most of his work out wide.

Ajax probably expects a tough encounter against Frankston. So do I.

But I think Ajax can sneak home. Provided it doesn't get caught too far forward when Charlie Egan is in possession. With the astute John Gardiner at the back that's unlikely to happen.

Sunshine must be very confident about taking at least a point from Northcote at John Cain Reserve on Saturday.

Shiners' coach Jim McIntyre believes that Wilf Laing and John Mudrinic are two of the fastest strikers out wide in the league.

He also sees Norrie Pate as one of the best target men around.

The Shiners look solid at the back and I can't see Spiro Tsetos breaking through. Not against equally rugged customers like Nick Lowe and Steve Ellis.

I fancy the Shiners to get a good result here.

Ringwood's last league match against Juventus produced the kind of finishing which had been missing in most previous games according to coach Mike de Bruyckere.

But de Bruyckere is too experienced to get carried away by his side's 4-0 win.

He is well aware of the challenge his charges face on Sunday when they confront Croatia at Jubilee Park.

And Croatia coach Len McKendry was fuming over the lack of on-field discipline shown by his players in their 2-2 draw with George Cross.

I expect Croatia to be at its top because I don't think McKendry will suffer twice in a row. It'll be the players who will suffer first.

And that spells trouble for Ringwood.

The best draw bet of the round is the George Cross-Croydon clash at Chaplin Reserve on Sunday.

The Cross doesn't give much away at the back and in Bobby Toal has unearthed a target for many effective forward moves.

The Loughnane brothers, Peter and Ian, loom as the greatest threat to the Cross.

But neither brother will get much change out of Harry McKinlay and Paul Gambin certainly is fast enough to prove hard to get past.

Northcote v SUNSHINE at John Cain Reserve, Saturday, 2.45 pm.

HAKOAH v Juventus at Middle Park, Sunday, 1 pm.

DOVETON v Altona at Waratah Reserve, Sunday, 3 pm.

George Cross v Croydon (draw) at Chaplin Reserve, Sunday, 3 pm.

Ringwood v CROATIA at Jubilee Park, Sunday, 3 pm.

AJAX v Frankston at Green Gully Reserve, Sunday, 3 pm.

Morrey wrecks Albion Rovers

AJAX 4 (McLeod, Lewis, Beranic, Morrey) ALBION ROVERS 0 at Green Gully Reserve.

AJAX: Donyz 7 — Lewis 8, Gardiner 8, Cannell 6, Bennett 2 — Williams 7, Greench 7 (inj. Beranic 60th), Vassallo 6 — Hopben 7, McLeod 7, Morrey 9. ALBION: Johnson 8 — Scarlett 6 (Gert H.T.), Stevens 7, Munro 7 (Gillman H.T.), Wisnet 6 — Smart 6, Raulby 6, Wilson 5 — Gillan 6, D'Sylva 6, Piotrowski 5.

Ajax withstood a heavy early battering from aggressive Albion to turn on some champagne second half soccer which left gaping holes in the Albion defence and four Ajax goals on the scoreboard.

Bill Morrey was at his lethal best, making three goals and scoring the fourth.

Albion had no answer to Morrey's bursts down the line and his crosses had the Albion defence in disarray in the last 45 minutes after its half time reshuffle which saw George Gillan move back to sweeper in place of play-

er-coach Frank Munro and Tony Gatt replacing Peter Scarlett at right back.

Albion keeper Bill Johnson denied Ajax on three occasions in the opening 30 minutes and it was ironic that he should play a part in Ajax's opening goal by misjudging Morrey's

cross from the right which eluded Johnson's outstretched palms and found the head of Gus McLeod who nodded in from five metres.

Ajax ran riot in the second half after a scare in the 50th minute when Mick D'Sylva got clear inside the Ajax area and shot against the woodwork. The ball rebounded to Ken Smart but his first time shot sailed well over the bar.

Dane Beranic replaced the injured Kit Greechan and didn't take long to get into the action. He picked up possession as the Albion defence came out. Beranic to Dave Hopben to Morrey on the right caught Albion still coming forward. Peter Lewis had made a great run into the area and his far post header from Morrey's cross ended Albion's resistance.

Morrey set up number three when he went down the left and cut the ball back across the face of the Albion goal. Beranic came in and his diving header gave Johnson no chance.

The Albion demise was completed in the 78th minute when Gerry Bennett played the ball inside to McLeod who just got a touch before the advancing Johnson could get to the ball which deflected off his body to the ever alert Morrey who capped a brilliant display by slotting the ball away from close range.

Hammond wins out

SLAVIA 1 (Liu) FAWKNER 1 (Lepore) at John Cain Reserve. Slavia won 4-3 on penalties.

SLAVIA: Hammond 8 — Haupt 6, Griffiths 8, Lawson 8, Pye 7 — Cooke 5, Brindle 7, Katz 5, Jurina 7 — Liu 6, Auld 6. FAWKNER: Terzini 7 — Sabadini 7, Giacchi 8, Fattone 8, Polita 8 — Felle 6, Sabidussi 8, Tudic 6, Frigale 5 (Lepore 75th). — Mainenti 8, Schipano 6.

Two saves by Slavia keeper Phil Hammond during the penalty showdown denied Fawkner's desperate attempt to knock off its First Division rival.

Both sides fielded depleted line-ups.

Slavia was without suspended players John Cullen and Mick McGorian while Liam Houston, Vlado Bozinovski were out injured.

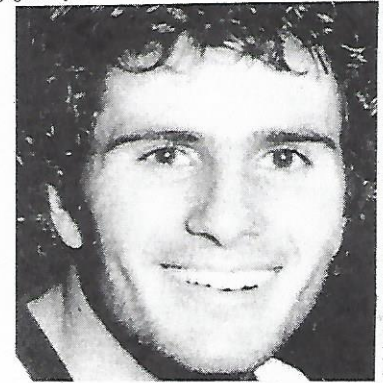
Fawkner opened determinedly but was unable to get past Steve Lawson and Dave Griffiths, Slavia's central defenders.

Liu and Auld both had chances as Slavia exploited Fawkner on the break but it wasn't until the 78th minute that Slavia struck.

Billy Brindle sent Liu through and he slotted the ball past Fawkner keeper Terzini.

Slavia was about to rejoice over its advancement to the second main round of the Dockerty Cup when Lepore levelled in the dying moments.

After a scoreless extra time Terzini saved Paul Cooke's penalty attempt but Auld, Steve Jurina, Joe Katz and David Pye made amends for Cooke's miss while Lepore and Tudic were thwarted by Hammond.



Bruno Sabidussi of Fawkner

KNOX CITY UNDER 12S — REQUIRED

TRAINING — TUESDAY-THURSDAY AT GUY TURNER RESERVE, BAYSWATER AT 6 PM.

Polonia's injured back for Wests

POLONIA 2 (Herman, Sekulski) COBURG 0 at Kim Reserve

POLONIA: Ostrowski 7, R. Liparski 7, Rachwalski 7, Herman 7, R. Rzesutski 5 (Mancini H.T. 6), Garrick 6, Wallace 7, G. Gernanski 6, Lalic 6, Sekulski 7, Kryzinski 6. COBURG: Cummins 7, Malcolm 7, Scarlett 6, Daly 7, Yearnsley 6, Hojki 6, Spiteri 7, Pilson 6, Auld 6, Damola 8 (Tollara H.T. 5), Petrocchi 6 (Agnello 74th).

Polonia was forced to make five changes from last week's team against Moreland as goalie Leszek Dzielekowski, Marlon Jaworski, Stan Klain, Michael Piehner and Peter Czaplak were all injured but should be right for the big clash against Western Suburbs on Sunday.

Coburg kicked off with the aid of a slight breeze but was not able to take advantage of the few chances that came its way and in the 37th minute Polonia took the lead.

Acting captain Brendan Lalic, who was giving the Coburg defend-

ers the run around, was tripped just outside the penalty area. The free taken by Richard Sekulski went straight to Joe Herman and he made no mistake with a header.

The second half saw Polonia attack with the breeze but meet some pretty stiff resistance from the hard pressed Coburg defence led by keeper Cummins.

Eventually Polonia went further ahead when a great run by John Wallace split the defence and his pass went to Sekulski whose shot gave Cummins no chance.

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PROVINCIAL LEAGUE **Reserve** vs **Wanderers 2** Micron 2
 Under 18s only (1-1)

DISTRICT LEAGUE **Balclutha** vs **Diamond**
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YOUTH LEAGUE **CENTRAL DIVISION:**
 Croydon City vs. Middlesbrough (1-3), Green-
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SOUTH/EAST DIVISION: **Kings** City vs. **Frank-**
ston "A" (2-0), **Frankston** "B" vs. **North-**
am (1-1), **Northam** vs. **Woolston** (1-1)

NORTH/WEST DIVISION: **Brinsford United** vs. **Green** Gully (1-3), **Emmsford** **Croft** vs. **Broad-**
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Australia's interim coach Les Scheinflug (second from right) watches Jim Tansey (second from left) show off his ball skills. Other Socceroos are John Yzendoorn (left), Alan Davidson (centre) and Billy Rogers.

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Striker Rully Neri and left back Didik Dharmadi are the Indonesians to be watched, says New Zealand coach John Adshade.

He was full of praise for the two players after New Zealand had beaten Indonesia 2-0 in Jakarta in front of a crowd of 105,000.

"Dharmadi was up all the time, taking part in attacks, and Neri was always a threat to our defence," Adshade said.

"Captain Ronny Pattinasarany also has to be watched. He builds up play very well from the back."

Adshade rates the Indonesians as the best players in the Oceania qualifying group.

"They play with a lot of authority, hitting 40-50 per cent of the target."

"They also have a lot of pace, and they have overcome their one deficiency of the past by building a physical aspect to their play. They're now quite willing to mix it with you."


"I wouldn't be surprised to see Australia in Melbourne and at home," Adshade said.

Australian captain Murray Barnes sees it differently.

"We're well aware of the Indonesians' skills and pace, but they can't compete with us physically," he said.

Adshade conceded that the centre backs — Suharno and Pattinasarany — are not tall, but added that they jump very well. Nevertheless, New Zealand scored both of its goals in Jakarta with headers — one by Brian Turner, the other by Grant Turner.

Rudi Gutendorf is gone, our World Cup chances — mathematical possibilities notwithstanding — are almost certainly gone. The picture is one of utter devastation on the soccer scene.

IN FOCUS *With Peter Scott* 

This is not Rudi Gutendorf's fault.

The blame lies with Sir Arthur, who, at the outset of his presidency some 10 years ago — and even, alas, Saturday — repeatedly emphasised that it is "no soccer expert".

Frankly, we should have believed him all those years ago and wondered why he wanted to be president.

But, by not building up the reputation of his very strong personality as administrative scene of national soccer is a wasteland.

It implies a responsibility also to accept the blame when it rains down in buckets, as it does now.

Yes, gentlemen of the ASF, the administration is to be blamed for the present hole Australian soccer finds itself in.

It was you who dug that hole.

It's time for new ideas, new people, new faces — or even some capital.

It's time the few followers of the game still around were given what they wanted, not what one or two

where are the up-and-coming capable administrators whom we should be handing over to anyway, even if success had come our way?

There is a place for the ASF president in soccer, in the area of the code's financial administration where his huge talents should be utilised. Not in administration of the game where embarrassing slip-ups recur with monotonous regularity. Just recall the Kenny Bode naturalisation saga, the ridiculous schedule of matches on last year's world tour, the appointment of Jimmy Shousder, the embarrassment of Brian Green.

The list is seemingly endless.

The PSL is dying on its feet, the crowds are a fraction of what they were 20 years ago and people with real contributions to make are hounded out of the game by some shameful club indifference to the part of those who are now in charge.

So Arthur and those around him, but especially the ASF president, always has been ready and willing to be in the glory of the few successes we have achieved - and rightly so!

Such readiness to accept praise

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BACK ROW, left to right: Jack Brybiak (from Adelaide Croatia, 1981), Peter Marshall (Birkella, 1977), John Nyakohus (Lions 1977), Chris Miller (Juniors), Brian Northcote (Granville, 1977), Bobby Russell (Sydney Croatia, 1979), Gary Marocchi (Azzurri Perth, 1977).

FRONT: David Jones (West Adelaide 1980), John Perin (Juniors), Bugsy Nyakohus (Lions, 1977), David Mitchell (Enfield-Victoria, 1980), Sergio Melia (Juniors), Charlie Villani (Juniors).

Adelaide City has proved itself as one of the top club sides in Australia since the inception of the PSL in 1977. The present side is stacked with former Socceros and its attractive playing style, under new coach Bob D'Oyari, not only wins points but also thrills spectators Australia wide. The pinnacle of the club's PSL achievement was reached in 1979 when it won the Phillips Cup. But Adelaide City has a wealth of credits to its name. Here are some of them: South Australian Champion 1953, 1954, 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1963, 1964, 1967, 1970, 1972, 1974; South Australian Cup Winner 1953, 1955, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1965, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1976; Coca Cola Cup Winner 1971, 1972, 1973. Just to name a few.



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